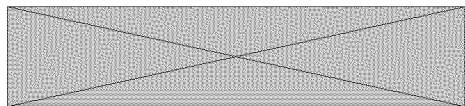


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WaterISAC Members:

WaterISAC is continuing to track the incident involving the leak of the chemical 4-Methylcyclohexane Methanol into the Elk River at Charleston, West Virginia on Thursday, January 9, that resulted in water restrictions. Updates for Sunday, January 12, are as follows:

- FEMA reports a determination has been made by the West Virginia Bureau for Public Health, West Virginia American Water, Army National Guard Civil Support Teams, West Virginia Department of Environmental Protection, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and DuPont regarding safe water levels.
  - Four laboratories have been provided with uniform standards and methods for measuring 4-methylcyclohexane methanol levels.
  - The affected water treatment plant must consistently produce water samples with results below the safe level for 24 consecutive hours, and extensive testing must be conducted in the distribution system before the “Do Not Use Water Notice” is lifted.
- The U.S. Coast Guard reports the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency requested a waterway closure from Mile Marker 0.0 to 3.0 of the Elk River in response to the chemical spill. The river closure is estimated to last until January 14. Authorities will allow vessel traffic to transit on a case by case basis.
- FEMA has coordinated the delivery of approximately 1.8 million liters of water to West Virginia with an additional 2.8 million liters planned.

WaterISAC will also post updates on a page dedicated to this incident on its secure Portal. Select this link to navigate to this page (*access to this page is limited to U.S. Pro Members*).

Please contact me with any questions.

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